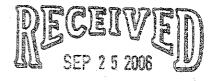


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Re: Request for Reissuance of Temporary Authorization to Operate 331-C Storage Unit

Reference: Letter to Jane A. Hedges, Ecology, from Joe R. Franco, USDOE-RL, Request for Reissuance of Temporary Authorization to Operate 331-C Storage Unit, dated

August 23, 2006

Dear Mr. Klein:

Thank you for your letter, dated August 23, 2006, requesting reissuance of the Temporary Authorization (TA) to operate the 331-C Storage Unit. Ecology is reissuing the TA for an additional 180 days. The TA is now effective through March 17, 2007.

We determined that reissuing the TA is warranted, allowing the unit to continue operating while Ecology completes the issuance of the Dangerous Waste Permit. The draft permit will be available for public review August 28 through October 13, 2006. Ecology will issue the permit through a Class 3 Permit Modification to the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit.

If you have any questions, contact Rick Bond at 509-372-7885 or Jeanne Wallace at 509-372-7931.

Sincerely,

Jay J. Manning

Director

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